

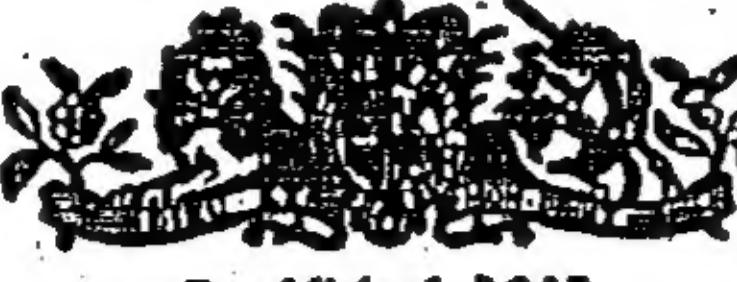


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LABOUR SPLIT

THE summer has hit Britain and the people are breaking in the sunshine. The season will be quoted for years to come as "that summer." The Labour Party will never forget it while the Conservatives will ever remember it as the year the Socialists presented them with a political gift, the like of which has seldom been seen or heard in the history of British politics.

On the eve of a General Election, and there appears to be no doubt now that the Prime Minister intends to go to the polls in October, the Labour movement has been split asunder by internal strife.

There had been moments earlier in the year when the Tories were having second thoughts about calling an election before their allotted term ran out. The Tories' stock had fallen, according to the public opinion polls, and there were other factors which weighed against them.

BUT since then there has been a steady rise in their popularity, caused by improved financial activities, a popular budget and not the last the high standing of the Prime Minister who is pursuing clear, consistent policies at home and abroad.

But almost as important is the disarray and demoralisation of the Socialists, who are not only divided among themselves but divided in their own minds. This division of thought has now been brought home to the public most forcibly by the dissension over the H-bomb policy.

The parliamentary party leaders, in an endeavour to lay down a clear-cut policy, set the official line with a non-nuclear club following the first revolt by the General and Municipal Workers Union.

This had the effect of curbing some of the dissident elements although the leaders had no time to assess national reaction to the official line. Now Mr Frank Cousins and his powerful Transport and General Workers Union have split the party right down the centre with a bombshell and rejected the official stand.

ON the face of it there is little likelihood that the breach can be healed in time, for the party to regroup their forces and fight an election. The Labour rank and file must be in a dilemma at the junction of a forked track not knowing whether to go to the left or to the right. They have, in fact, become a leaderless legion.

The reason for the revolt may not be hard to find. There is no love lost between Mr Cousins and the parliamentary leaders. Mr Cousins is also ambitious and is intent on carving out a career for himself. This being so it must be concluded that he has chosen this time to divide the party, backed by the powerful unions, to make sure the Socialists have no chance of winning an election and then weld it together again with himself as their undisputed leader.

Lord Halifax, the belligerent Tory Party organiser, will undoubtedly be happy to have his picture taken again on the beach basking in the sunshine as clouds of despair settle over the Socialists.

JAPANESE SURVEY SHIP RUNS AGROUND IN NORTH BORNEO BRITISH SHIP RESCUES 34 MEN

Lifeboat Fights Its Way Through Heavy Seas

By T. S. KOO
China Mail Shipping Reporter

A Japanese survey ship investigating the mysterious hulk of a submarine on a lonely North Borneo beach, ran aground and four days later their crew of 34 were rescued by a lifeboat from a British ship.

The British ship, Empire Kittiwake, arrived in Hongkong this morning with the shipwrecked Japanese sailors.

The submarine they were investigating was, they believe, an American ship, beached there during the war.

Their own ship, the Daikatsu Maru, now lies aground nearby in the pounding surf.

The seamen were rescued by a lifeboat which fought its way through heavy seas to take them off.

In charge of the Kittiwake lifeboat was Mr C. A. Purther, Chief Officer. Also with him was the second officer, Mr N. E. F. Jacqueline, second engineer, Mr G. F. Widy and eight Chinese crew members.

This is the story of the rescued Japanese seamen and the Captain.

Captain Peter L. Armstrong of the L.S.T. Empire Kittiwake told us:

The 140-ton deep sea trawler Daikatsu Maru, owned by Morita Shipping Company in Osaka, left Nagasaki for a survey expedition of sunken vessels in the waters of North Borneo on June 26, with a group of salvage experts.

Last Monday, the ship arrived at Bombay Shoal, on the edge of an unsurveyed area on the west side of the Palawan Channel and found the hulk of an American submarine, probably beached during the war.

Several members of the survey group were sent to examine the submarine, while the ship attempted to drop anchor close to it.

Before the anchor could be dropped a sudden strong wind drove the ship onto a reef.

All efforts to get her off that day failed.

Holed

The following day the weather deteriorated and the vessel was holed in the forward port side. The crew were adrift and the crew's cabins were soon flooded. The crew were compelled to stay on deck and on the bridge.

On the same day, three lifeboats of the ship were lowered in an attempt to lighten the stranded vessel. They sank that night, however, because of the rough seas.

On Thursday, the fourth day after the incident, the crew decided to swim to the broken submarine as the Daikatsu Maru had developed a list of 20 degrees to starboard after sustaining further damage.

For four days the list of the ship made sleep impossible.

The distance to the submarine was about three-quarters of a mile but the sea was rough and infested with sharks.

Little Chance

The crew waited for the weather to clear before making a start though they knew that they stood little chance of survival if they swam for the shore.

In the meantime, the Empire Kittiwake owned by the Ministry of Transport and managed by the Atlantic Steam Navigation Co. of London, on her way to Hongkong from Usukan Bay, British North Borneo, intercepted a signal from Labuan Radio stating that a vessel was stranded on Bombay Shoal.

This lay about 170 miles to the north of this vessel's position.

The L.S.T. steamed at full speed for the stricken vessel despite heavy weather. When she reached the shoal, she failed to make contact with the Japanese vessel at first because of bad weather and heavy rain.

Later the rain cleared. Then a spot on the radar screen was noticed. But that turned out to be the hulk of the submarine.

Closer examination of the reef revealed the Daikatsu Maru hard ashore in the surf.

The Empire Kittiwake was manoeuvred to within half a mile of the reef. Fuel oil was pumped overboard to quell the breaking sea and a motor lifeboat launched.

The rescue party managed to get alongside the Japanese vessel despite heavy breaking seas. All 34 Japanese were safely taken aboard the lifeboat and within minutes transferred to the Empire Kittiwake.

The Japanese crewmen were then comfortably berthed in accommodation usually used by

Treated Well

Valuable salvage equipment was lost in the Daikatsu Maru. The Kittiwake could make no radio contact with the Daikatsu because the ship was fitted with a transmitter capable only of communicating with Japanese radio stations on a frequency not used by vessels on their normal passages.

The Japanese vessel was commanded by Captain Yoshida Takeyo, and the leader of the expedition was Mr Sadae Ikeda.

Mr Osamu Narasaki, a fishery expert and an adviser to Mr Ikeda, was the only member of the entire Japanese crew able to speak English.

He said, "The crew were very well treated by the Kittiwake and her captain, and we are deeply grateful to them for all their help."

The Japanese crew will be sent back to Japan in the Honolulu Maru and the Yoko Maru at the end of next week. Meanwhile, they are being accommodated in the Mission of the Seamen.



The L.S.T. Empire Kittiwake steaming into harbour today.—China Mail Photo.

Passenger Falls Off Chusan

Tilbury, July 12. Mrs Ann Matthews, a school teacher from Los Angeles, California, today was reported in "satisfactory" condition after accidentally falling from a passenger liner into the English Channel.

Mrs Matthews, 54, joined other passengers aboard the liner Chusan along the rail last night when the white cliffs of Dover came into view.

But she slipped, tumbled over the rail and fell about 40 feet into the sea.

The British tanker Esso Fulham, coming up behind the liner, spotted Mrs Matthews floundering in the water. A crewman dived in and carried a line to the woman and she was taken aboard the tanker after some 20 minutes in the water.

A life boat returned her to the 24,215-ton Chusan. Mrs Matthews, who is on a vacation in Europe, was taken to a local hospital for observation after the Chusan docked here.—UPI.

John Wallace Injured

Hongkong radio announced John Wallace, who suffered head injuries on Saturday night when the car he was travelling in swerved suddenly, is resting quietly in Queen Mary Hospital. It was reported this morning.

Jackets Made In UK, But Trousers Made In America

London, July 12.

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Lane Crawford Sues Coal Company

The mysterious disappearance last year of the former manager of Lane Crawford's coal department, Mr K. T. Chang, formed part of the defence in an action before Mr Justice A. D. Scholes at the Supreme Court this morning.

Lane Crawford Ltd. is suing Luen Shueung Coal Co., of 15 Lung Fong Road, for \$82,187.62 for coal delivered in 1957 and 1958.

Defendants admit liability for only \$1,072.62, claiming that the rest of the money had been paid to Chang.

According to the plaintiff company claimed that Chang had no authority to receive the payments or to issue the receipts and alleged that some of the receipts were forged.

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BABY-FACED SQUAD

London, July 12. Scotland Yard, London's police headquarters, is training "baby-faced" policemen for a new detective force to combat gangs of tody boys and teenage delinquents, newspapers here reported today.

The reports said that the new detectives will behave and dress like tody boys, mix with the gangsters, and report back to the Yard.

The reports added that all the men being trained had volunteered for the job.—China Mail Special.

Alleged Threat Of Mutiny In Army

BRUTALITY IN THE CAMERONIANS

Extra Sentence

Cheng Shan, coolie, who was sentenced to three months' imprisonment after he had pleaded guilty to the possession of a packet of heroin was given an additional two months' gaol by Mr T. L. Yang at Central Magistracy this morning for contempt of court.

Cheng used abusive language as he left the dock. He was immediately called back and given the additional sentence.

Wife Beating

A 30-year-old fisherman admitted before Mr T. L. Yang this morning that he had seriously hurt his wife with a bamboo pole because she neglected to do house work.

Lai Yau, 30, assaulted his wife, Kok Sze-ying, in an unnumbered hut in Tai Chung, Tai-O, at 8 a.m. last Saturday. Mr Yang sentenced him to three months' imprisonment.

2.30 Mahjong

Four workers, who played mahjong at a building site at 38-40 Island Road, Repulse Bay until 2.30 a.m. yesterday morning, were fined \$40 each by Mr T. L. Yang at Central Magistracy this morning.

Defendants were Man Yin, 48, Leung Wai, 29, Chan Mun, 33, and Li Chiu, 27.

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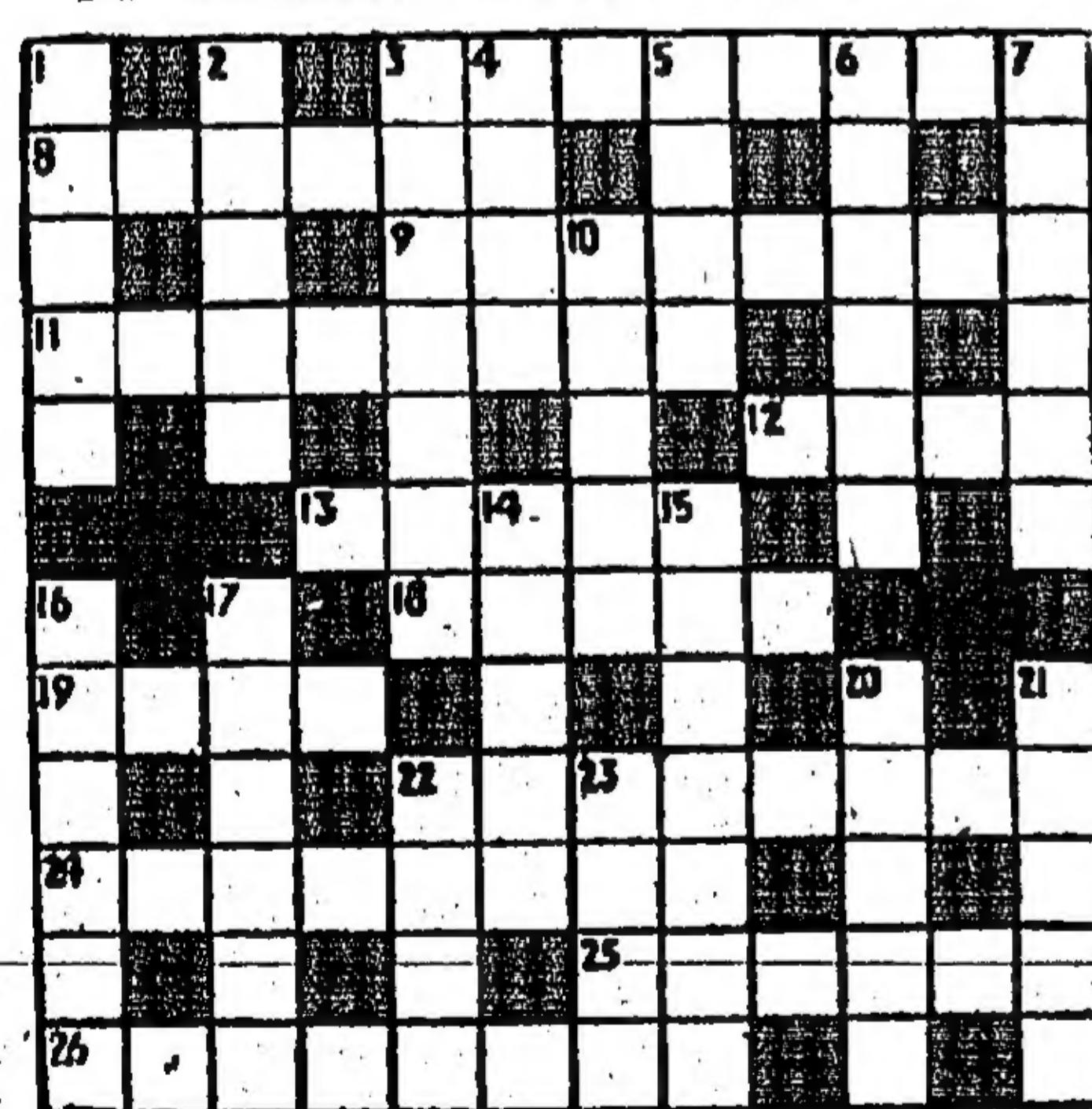
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- The man in the pulpit (8)
- Red Indian Uncle? (6)
- Disabled bird: needs a helping hand (4, 4)
- Well-built fellow who drinks beer? (5, 3)
- Paradise (4)
- Metal bar (5)
- Attacked by a bull (6)
- Persia (4)
- Repaired (8)
- "obliges" (8)
- Metallic (6)
- Poor quality (8)

SATURDAY'S CROSSWORD—Answers: 1 Gunsmith, 2 Amer. 3 Overall, 10 Bourse, 13 Opposer, 15 Hobet, 17 Rovers, 18 Clindel, 20 Aces, 21 Diorama, 22 Ester, 27 Brandy, 28 Eman, 29 Norsmen, Down: 1 Garbo, 2 Golup, 3 Grose, 4 Surf, 5 Ia-Alab, 6 Haloes, 9 Veered, 11 Opic, 12 Hobet, 14 Relics, 15 Hoits, 16 Blame, 18 Carbon, 19 Teeter, 22 Oaten, 23 Atlas, 24 Armed, 25 Once.

London, July 12.
SOME 700 of Britain's toughest fighting soldiers are protesting—"threatening mutiny" one Sunday newspaper said—at alleged brutal disciplinary measures ordered by their officers and NCOs at Nairobi.

The allegations were described as "all nonsense" by Major General N. P. H. Tapp, GOC, East Africa.

A letter on the matter which she received from Kenya on May 12 is now being investigated by the War Minister, Mr Christopher Soames.

"I received another yesterday," she added.

Fractured Skull

"I am putting a question down on Tuesday for answer by the War Minister on Wednesday."

One allegation is that a soldier was taken to hospital with a fractured skull after being hit by a senior man.

Another is that defaulters were called out at midnight and had to stand three hours while a search was made for an officer's briefcase. It was eventually found in the officer's quarters.

Another instance: A soldier is alleged to have been thrown into a cell the floor of which was drenched with buckets of water.

As there was no chair or bed he had to stand all night.

Motto

The Camerons have been stationed near Nairobi since June last year.

Their motto is: "No one may touch me with impunity."

General Tapp said an inquiry was now being conducted by the headquarters of the East African Command at the request of the War Office into an incident at the Camerons camp last February when a rifleman was found with head bruises.

Inquiry

The request for an inquiry came after a number of soldiers in the battalion wrote to a British member of Parliament.

The matter was still under investigation, General Tapp added. The inquiry was being conducted by a brigadier and the findings would be passed on to the War Minister.—China Mail Special.

Bridging The Gap

New York, July 12.
A proposal to build either a bridge or a tunnel between Alaska and Siberia was made to the Soviet First Deputy Premier, Mr Frol Koslov, today by a Democratic Senator from Washington, Mr Warren G. Magnuson.

Senator Magnuson said he had discussed his proposal with Mr Koslov at the Soviet delegation's United Nations headquarters.

Senator Magnuson said that his proposal "would make for real co-existence" across the 42-mile-long Bering Strait.

The Senator added: "Real American families driving in American-made cars, with the kids piled in, will do more than a summit conference."

Heuler.

Mr Koslov replied: "All reports that will be written and are aimed at strengthening friendship between our countries and reports that are objective and constructive will be despatched to the United States without a single word crossed out."

PLANE CRASHES ON LORRY



MIGRANT DENTIST REFUSED REGISTRATION

Melbourne, July 12.
A EUROPEAN dentist has been refused registration as a dentist in Victoria, but has been registered as a doctor.

The doctor, Emil Miglic, said today: "I was a dentist in Europe for 24 years, but practised as a doctor for only five years."

"I consider myself a good doctor, but I am more fitted to be a dental surgeon. I specialised in dentistry the same as any doctor specialises in eyes, nose or throat."

Full Course

"But the Victorian Dental Board won't register me unless I do a full four-year course at the University."

Dr Miglic added: "Last month the Medical Board registered me as a doctor after a five-months' refresher course and an examination."

"I could pass any practical Dental Board exam but you would not even take such a test without doing the University course."

"I am now 60 and I can't spare that time."

Doctors and dentists said today that Dr. Miglic's case illustrated the need for amendment of the Medical Act about immigrant dentists.

Amended

They said that in 1957 the Act was amended so that immigrant doctors could be registered after a refresher course, but dentists were not similarly treated.

The present position was farcical because European dentists could do a short course in Britain to satisfy the General Dental Council there, and thus have little trouble in registration when they arrived here.

The whole business of registering immigrant doctors and dentists is out of line and something will have to be done," one doctor said.

Dr Miglic, who left Yugoslavia because of the political situation 10 years ago, was one of the country's foremost dental experts, a friend said.

The President of the Victorian Dental Board, Dr H. C. Ash, said the Board's attitude was designed to protect the public.—China Mail Special.

AMERICAN SIDE

"As regards those reports that are hot... we do check those reports."

Mr Koslov said that what he called "the American side" had raised the question and had noted that there was no censorship during the visit to Moscow earlier this year of Mr Harold Macmillan.

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Poker Machine Addict Has A 'Bandit' Beside Bed

Poker machine addict Bill Harrison of Waverley pitted himself against a "one armed bandit" all day today—lost but stayed cheerful.

As the machine gobbled up pound after pound Bill kept chuckling.

Then after a five-hour session at the machine Bill called it a day and gloated: "At last I've found the answer."

Because here was a poker machine with a difference. An old beaten up model, it was one of seven put up for public auction yesterday and Harrison bought it for \$12.

"You see, poker machines have a fatal attraction for me,"

He played it today to his heart's content, without a twifling feeling of his week's wages being eaten up.

For whenever he ran out of tokens all he had to do was to move the machine around, open the back and replenish his supply.

"I've waited years for this," Harrison, a refrigerator engineer, said.

"I've set it up beside my bed and play it till my arm is too sore to bother about the fair dinkum machines."—China Mail Special.

YACHT WINS BATTLE AGAINST SEA

Darwin, July 12.
Hollywood actor-manager John Calvert arrived at Echo Island, off north Australia, today and described his week-long battle to keep his leaking luxury yacht Sea Fox afloat in the Arafura Sea.

As the yacht, with Calvert and seven others aboard, sailed slowly into port at the tiny island, Wangari tribesmen paddled out in canoes to meet it with cries of "monkey ship."

They had heard that the ninth passenger on the yacht was Cheeta, the chimpanzee which stars in Tarzan films, and none of the tribesmen had ever seen a monkey.

When the tired four-man crew of the Sea Fox brought the disabled yacht to within 100 yards of the beach at the island, water was still streaming in through a forward seam and much of the lower deck and engine room was awash. But the yacht was riding high in the water.

It was accompanied by the Australian navy tug Emu, which went to its assistance after an air search four days ago.

Calvert said he believed the leak was caused when the yacht hit a submerged log. When the flooding was at its worst the hand pump was manned day and night by two men. "We did ten thousand strokes a day," he added.

Asked if the Sea Fox was ever in danger of sinking, he replied:

"Yes, because without spare parts to get the pumps working we would have been physically unable to keep going on the hand pump." He said the yacht had shipped 75,000 gallons of water.

TROUBLE BEGAN

Its damage included broken cross-arms on the main mast and a broken mizzen. Clothing, equipment and furniture had been damaged by water, and Calvert said that when the yacht would take at least a week. He would fly on to Sydney and engage a qualified captain to sail the Sea Fox.

He said the trouble began when the main engine sea water pump broke up four days out of Darwin. After that he did not sleep for six days and the crew had only "cat naps" hand-balling with buckets and pumping for four days.

The Emu had taken him in tow at the navy's request, although he believed he could have made it to port alone. But he thanked the navy for its "wonderful help."—Reuter.

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NEW ATLANTIC AIMEN TRAIN ON THE GROUND

London.

THE pilots who are to fly Boac's new Anglo-American jet airliners, which next year will cross the Atlantic eastbound in about five hours, are going into training.

Next month they will learn at London Airport to fly the giant Intercontinental Boeing 707's, with British Rolls-Royce engines, without leaving the ground.

A "flight simulator" costing nearly £500,000 is being installed.

More powerful

On this the Boeing captains, selected from the corporation's Comet, Britannia and DC7C trans-Atlantic fleets, will become so familiar with everything about the new airliner that they should be almost fully qualified before their short period of in-the-air training begins.

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The new 707s are bigger and much more powerful than the Boeings at present used by Boac's rival, Pan-American Airways.

Boac officials say the simulator will save a vast amount of money.

It means not tying down the airliners on long crew training programmes during which they would be earning nothing.

On July 20 the first five captains are going to the Rolls-Royce works for a week's course to learn all about the aircraft that they should be almost fully qualified before their short period of in-the-air training begins.

These five include Captain Tom Stoney, of Sunbury-on-Thames, Boac's flight manager of the Boeing fleet, and Captain Philip Brentnall, of Gerard's Cross, Bucks, who will be in charge of flying training on the new aircraft.

Captain Stoney, an Irishman who was a Dublin civil engineer before he joined the RAF and took to flying, won the DFC during the war. At the end of this month he and the other four are to go to Seattle for a three weeks technical course to learn all about the 707.

Men in charge of the pre-flying training on the simulator

is Captain William Houston, of Northwood, Middlesex, Boac's training manager.

Said Captain Stoney today:

"Quite a number of pilots have been earmarked for the Boeing fleet. At present they are flying Comets, Britannias and DC7Cs."

First of Boac's fleet of 15 aircraft is now undergoing its tests in America.

In spring

"We expect to take delivery of the No. 1 aircraft in December. Services will start in the spring of next year," said an official.

The Boeing will have a comfortable cruising speed of 540 mph. With the tail winds of 100 m.p.h., that are frequent high above the Atlantic it may often fly from New York to London at 640 m.p.h. Going the other way it will fly non-stop against the headwinds in about seven hours.

"We have not yet decided on the passenger layout," I was told.

"That will depend largely on our traffic experience this summer," said an official.

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Reporter Sefton Delmer tours the gayest country in the Red Bloc

I say: Britain must be friendly with Poles

Warsaw.
FOR a fortnight I have been travelling up and down the new Poland, gayest, freest, and most friendly country in the Soviet bloc. Friendly to the West and Western ideas — and particularly friendly to Britain.

I have talked to both Communists and anti-Communists. I have heard the views of ordinary men and women doing their shopping or sitting in the cafes — or milking cows on the farm. And I have talked long and frankly with top officials and makers of policy.

Wrecked?

I carry away two conclusions of vital importance to the West when the renewed ambition of Germany's Adenauer threatens us all with new dangers.

The first is that in Poland the West has a valuable

bridgehead of good will, more important to my mind, than the over-tired and over-praised West Berlin.

The Poles are skilfully exploiting the position given them by the relaxation policy of Communist Party chief Gomulka to gain greater freedom for co-operation with the West under the cover of their ordinary Communist system.

It could be developed to vital importance for us all. But it all could be wrecked through fear that we British and our Nato allies are supporting the monstrous claims put forward by Adenauer Germany for the return of the former German territories handed over to Poland at the Potsdam conference in 1945.

I can appreciate this Polish fear of the Germans, and its effect on the Western Powers, too well.

In Germany for the last five years agencies supported by secret Government funds have been busy organising the refugees from the former German provinces of Poland in associations claiming the return of these provinces.

My second conclusion is that it is of vital urgency that Mr Macmillan should make a public statement killing this fear of the Poles by making it quite clear that Britain stands for the maintenance of the present frontiers and will act in accordance with this policy when the time comes.

Propaganda

German travellers visiting Poland have been spreading propaganda by asking the Poles who are now occupying their former farms and homesteads to "take good care of them against the hour of our return."

The Germans have been backing their claim to these now Polish territories with a stream of propaganda, declaring that the Poles are neglecting and mismanaging the great heritage of German civilisation in the territories ceded to Poland.

Ships from all over the world now unload and reload at rebuilt quays. Steamers and motor ships are being repaired and built in the rebuilt and reopened yards.

Across the fields from the old German horror camp of Auschwitz I noticed factory chimneys smoking. What are these factories?

One is the former Krupp munitions works where Auschwitz slaves were worked to death putting fuses into German shells. Now it has been



These people are the freest in the Soviet bloc—and they won their freedom by actions like these! Stalin's statue is pulled down.

rebuilt from the wreck it became under our bombs in 1945 and is a repair shop for lorries and tractors.

Another is the synthetic petrol plant built by the men and women of the camp for the German I.G. Farben trust. It also has been rebuilt from its ruins and is now making plastic insulators.

Rebuilt, repaired and put to use. That is how I have been finding things all up the line during this trip.

Very different from my last visit here just after the war when the fields were left derelict and untilled, when the towns from which Germans had been deported were largely empty and what was left in the way of machinery was being dismantled and carried off by reparations-hungry Russians.

Industrial production in this area is higher than it ever was.

**TOMORROW:
THIS IS THE NEW POLAND**

WHEN A NATION FINDS A LONG-HAILED HERO MIGHT BE A VILLAIN

by RONALD SINGLETON

New York.
HERO or villain? Rescuer or monster? Which was he? These are questions asked now from coast to coast by readers who are realising, with a slow, fascinated horror, that a great American national hero of 1934, feted and honoured for bravery, might have tricked the country with a gigantic, diabolical, private smirk.

They read a book which was published recently called "Fire at Sea," written by Thomas Gallagher, a Manhattan novelist. It is a graphic account of the burning of the passenger liner Morro Castle a few miles off the New Jersey coast. The ship ended her life scarred on the Blackpool-like sands, a ghastly attraction that was Asbury Park's biggest sideshow in history.

But it is more than a story of bravery and bungling. In a storm when 134 died, it is a "whodunit" with gathering elements of psychological terror.

Arson?

Nobody had ever before thought of the questions—Was it an accident, fate or destiny? Or was it murder and arson?

And was the villain the man who became the hero, pudgy 22-year-old ship's radio operator George W. Rogers?

He was feasted everywhere.

He went into vaudeville. He gave lectures in his white uniform and had his hands clasped by admiring men and tearful women and he became a boy's hero in the American maritime world.

About 100 feet were more than 200 officers and crew, and more than 300 wealthy, sun-cracked and happy passengers.

Caribbean tides lilted in the little dance hall, drinkers chatted round cocktail, and the Morro Castle plunged into a heavy north-east wind.

Within an hour the captain was found dead (a heart attack or polio?) in his bunk and before the officers had time to collect themselves at this shock the ship was a sudden cauldron.

There was chaos as heart-rending as that of the Titanic.

The bo'sun was drunk in his room and there was no one to lead the firefighters; the chief engineer lost his nerve, and ordered the nearest lifeboat lowered, less than a quarter mile.

He joined the police force and was accused of trying to blow up his chief officer with an intricate bomb.

He was sentenced to life imprisonment for battering to death an elderly couple after withdrawing their savings. He died in gaol last year.

No one thought for a moment that before death his lips could have told another story.

They were sympathetic—the tragedy had ruined him.

Novel-writer Gallagher ("The Gathering Darkness," "The Monogramist") set out to describe the death throes of a fair ship. Fascinated, he realised that his hero might have been the arsonist.

Rogers was a criminal at the age of 12; he had several theft charges followed by criminal assault. He was suspected of setting fire to a radio factory and of stealing 2,000 dollars worth of instruments from a laboratory.

Before the Morro Castle's last voyage Rogers had plotted to steal the chief radio operator's post.

His friends always knew him as a man with a boy's fascination for chemicals and explosives. He once casually remarked that the ship's fire was started by a delayed-action bomb. No one took him seriously.

His biographer now infers that it was the hero who burned the ship—there was a mysterious trail of fuel found in one compartment.

Worse still, he infers—that he poisoned the captain, who had threatened to fire him.

It is all circumstantial evidence, of course, but so convincing.

A company official of the Ward Line, owners of the Morro Castle, said: "None of us has had time to read this book, and I doubt whether it will alter our records which are locked up somewhere."

No proof

No one had known of Rogers' 20-year-old crime record before he sailed in his ship. If they did, they did not associate the tragedy with him. Nor did they later, when his crime record continued.

No one can prove that Rogers was the villain. But this is a horrifyingly strong case which makes the flaming terror more intense than it was in the headlines 25 years ago.

The man who could prove it died without telling.

—(London Express Service).



"The local paper's missed some goodness of your missus because of the strike, your lordship."

—(London Express Service).

Weekend League Lawn Bowls LEAGUE LEADERS FORGE AHEAD

**IRC "A", HKFC, HERC
Gain Further
Valuable Points**

By ROBERT TAY

The top teams in the three divisions of the Colony lawn bowls league, Indian Recreation Club "A," Hongkong Football Club and Hongkong Electric Recreation Club forged further ahead in their title bids during the weekend matches.

All scored wide-margin wins, but IRC "A," gained the most benefit out of the weekend victories with their first division 5-0 triumph over Recreio "B" at King's Park.

With second-placed Kowloon Deck Club dropping one point to IRC "B" at Sookunpoo and Recreio "A" just failing by half a point to collect full points from Craignawer Cricket Club at the Valley, the Indians increased their nine-point lead over second-placed Kowloon Dock by a further point. Recreio "A" are in third place, with the same number of 33 points as Kowloon Deck Club.

Hongkong Football Club, the second division leaders, benefited immensely from the week's games. After collecting five points from Hongkong Cricket Club in a home game they had the satisfaction to see second-placed Craignawer Cricket Club involved in a close-decision game against PRC "A" that gave the Valley Club only 3½ points, thus putting the footballers further ahead by 1½ points.

Gap Narrowed

Hongkong Electric Club maintained their lead in the third division league table with another four points gained at the expense of bottom-placed Hongkong Cricket Club, but their victory did not give them maximum advantage, as second-placed Indian Recreation Club, by defeating Craignawer Cricket Club by a 5-0 margin were able to narrow the gap between them and the league leaders to four points.

In the first division game, Indian Recreation Club "A," had another fine display of top-class bowl, clinching their 5-0 win from Recreio "B". M. Yusuf, S. Dabas, J. M. A. Rambam and J. Hossen assured the Indians of victory with their 28-8 triumph over N. Bellrao, L. M. Rodriguez, G. F. Santos and F. X. M. da Silva and their other two fours skipped by A. K. Minu and M. B. Hassan encouraged by this success succeeded in staying off strong challenges by C. P. Baeto's and C. F. Puscas' fours to emerge 18-15 and 22-19 winners.

By virtue of their win, A. K. Minu's four also went right to the top of the skip's table, replacing A. E. Elgar's Kowloon Deck four who went down to the IRC "B" four skipped by M. Y. Adal in a surprise defeat.

Match Of Week

In the match of the week, Recreio "A," playing a better brand of bowls all-round, scored a fairly comfortable 4½-½ win over Craignawer Cricket Club at the Valley. Well up on two rinks at the tea interval and by one shot on the third rink, they coasted home by comfortable margins on two rinks.

The only excitement in the match came from the man between the fours skipped by A. A. Lopez and C. C. Ma. After being 7-10 down at the end of the 14th end, C. C. Ma's four went seen in a spectacular recovery when they chalked up three successive three and two singles to lead by 18-16. Trailing by 17-18 on the last head, skip Lopez with opponents lying two close shots, drew the first shot to tie the match and

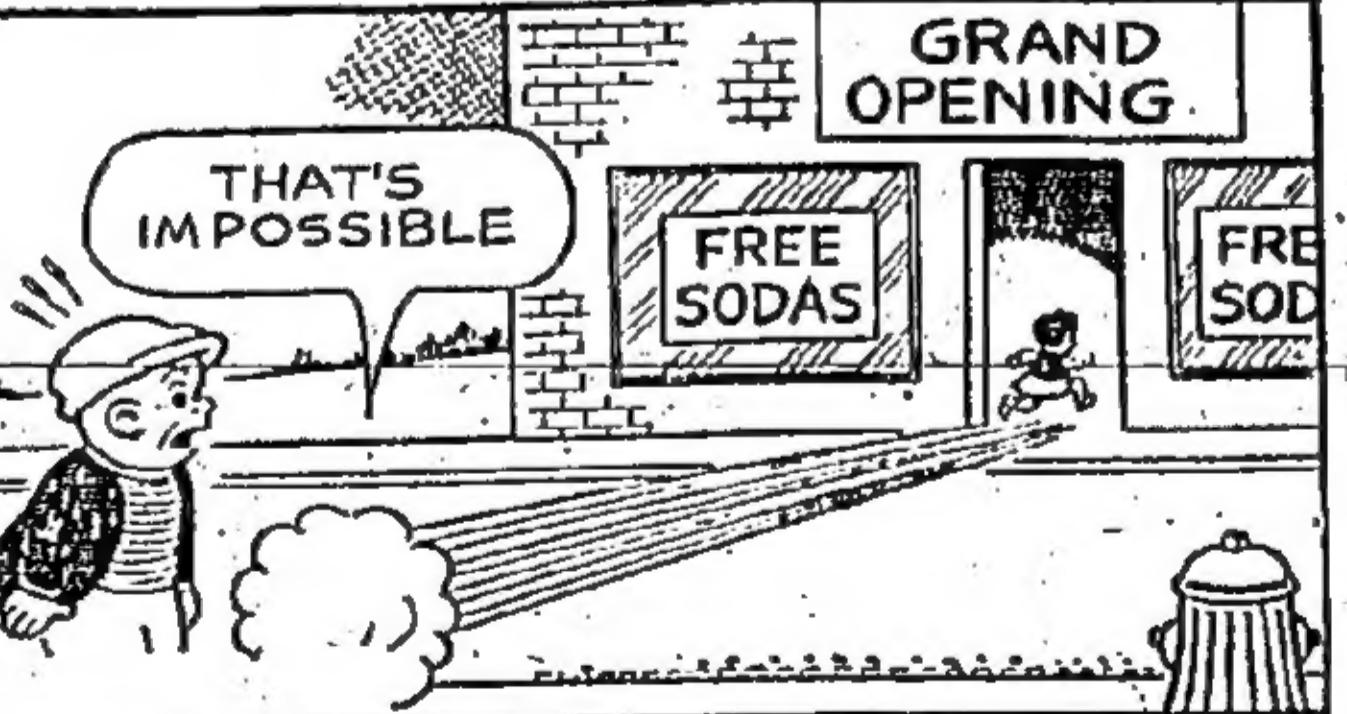
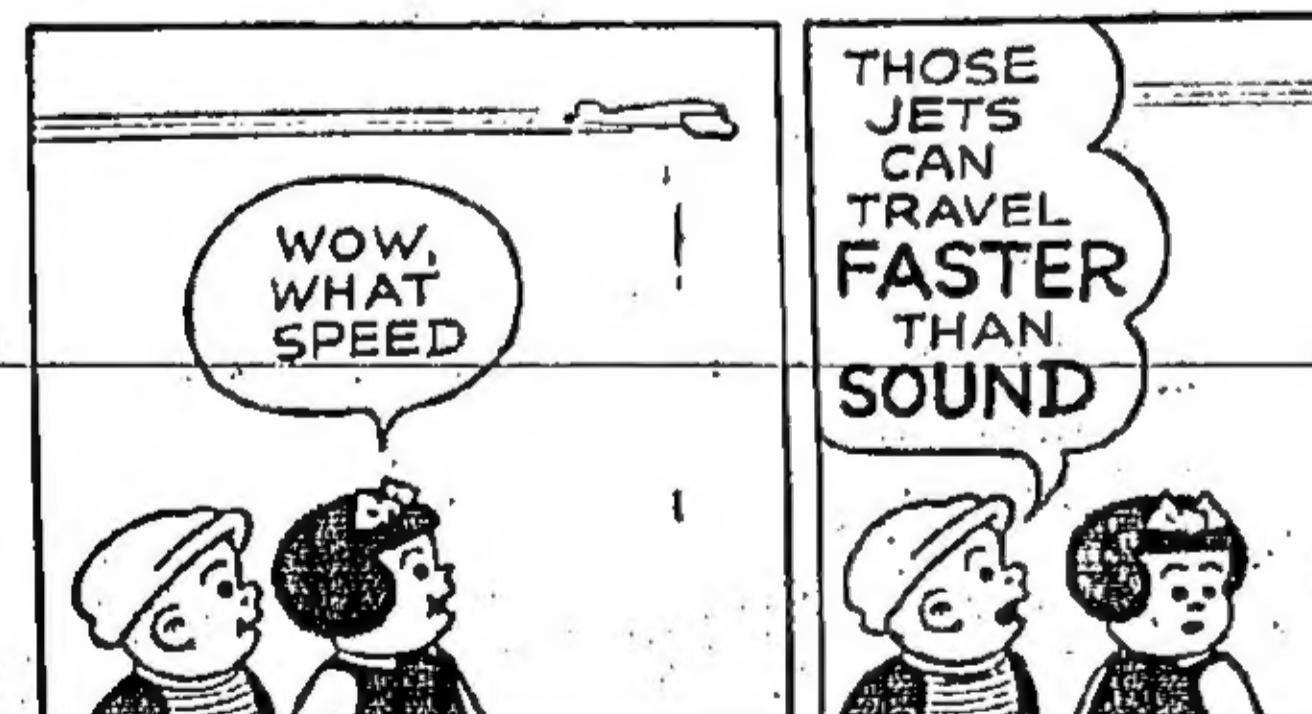
CHESS

by LEONARD BARDEN

To advance any of the pawns protecting the castled king always means a danger that the resulting "hole" will be occupied by enemy pieces with disastrous effect. This even happens to grandmasters as in the following game (Pechman v. Naidoo) in which Pechman's 7th move, P-K4, P-Q3; 3 P-KB4; 2 Kt-QB3, P-Q3; 3 P-Q3, Kt-B2; 4 P-KR4; 5 Kt-B3; 5 B-KC2; 6 Kt-Q5; 7 Kt-B2 ch; 8 K-R1, P-KR4; 9 P-KR3, P-K4; 10 Kt-Q5; 11 P-KR2; 12 Kt-B2; 13 Kt-B3; 14 P-KR4; 15 P-KR5; 16 P-KR6; 17 P-KR7; 18 P-KR8; 19 Q-K4 ch; K-B1; 20 R-KxKt. QxKt ch; Solution No. 5046: 1 P-B7 (threat 2 Kt-RB6); 2 P-B6; 2 Q-K1; or Kt-B4; 2 R-Kt, or Kt-B2; 2 Kt-Q5; or Kt-Q2; 2 Kt-QB6.

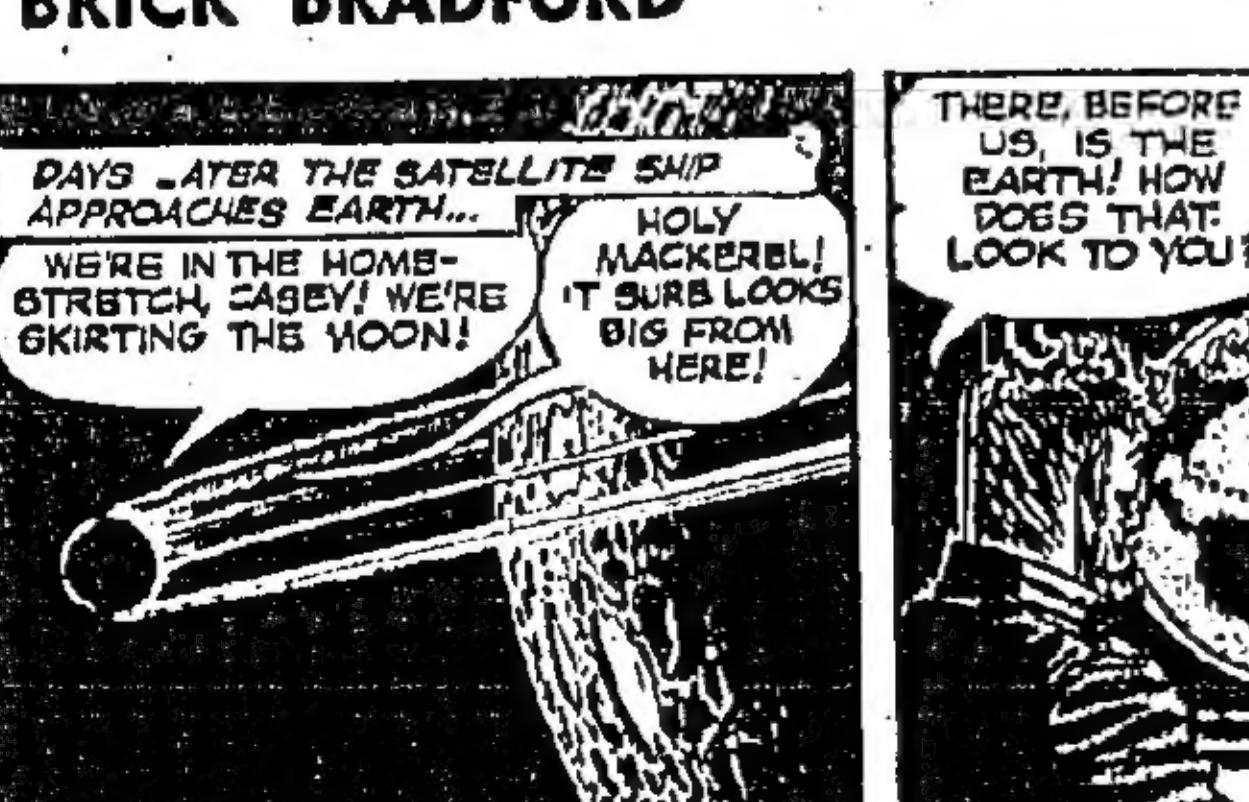
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NANCY



By Ernie Bushmiller

BRICK BRADFORD



By Paul Norris



AMERICAN LEAGUE BASEBALL Floundering Yankees Suffer Their Fourth Straight Defeat

New York, July 12.

Jackie Jensen led the Boston Red Sox to a 7-3 victory over the New York Yankees today and almost single-handedly sent the floundering world champions into their fourth straight defeat.

The loss also knocked the Yankees one game below the .500 mark.

Jensen drove in four runs with his 19th homer and two doubles to lead a 10-hit attack that enabled Bill Monbouquette to win his second game against three defeats.

Monbouquette replaced Ike DeLoach in the third inning and pitched five-hit ball the rest of the way.

Jensen hit a three-run homer off Ralph Terry to spark a four-run spell in the first inning and the Red Sox added three runs off Art Ditmar in the seventh. Monbouquette struck out Mickey Mantle with two on in the seventh to end the Yankees' most serious threat.

The Cleveland Indians retained possession of first place when they split a doubleheader with the Detroit Tigers before a crowd of 54,727 at Cleveland. Rocky Colavito hit his 27th and 28th homers to lead the Indians to an 8-4 win after Paul Foytack's six-hitter gave Detroit 6-2 triumph.

The Chicago Cubs took the opener of a doubleheader from Philadelphia 7-0, but the Phillies won the night game, 4-1.

A Miracle Saved The Leggat Leg

By ROY PESKETT

Graham Leggat, Scotland and Fulham winger, lay basking in the Italian sun near Genoa last week—his first day out of hospital since June 20—and reflected on the near miracle which has saved his right leg.

Leggat suffered a huge gash in his leg when playing for Fulham against Alessandria on June 20 and was taken to hospital. "It was the worst cut I have ever seen," said Fulham manager Frank Osborne, who stayed within call of the hospital until Leggat's discharge.

14 STITCHES

In a letter to Fulham chairman, Tommy Trinder, Mr. Osborne said that 14 stitches were put in the cut but so much dirt and grit got into it that there was a grave fear that Leggat might become another Dick Dooley and have his leg off.

The manager praised the Italian specialist who looked after Leggat and added "It was the work and devotion of this man which saved him."

Two European Swimming Records Broken

Paris, July 12.

About 2,000 fans saw two European records broken this afternoon in the opening session of the three-day Grand Prix de Paris international swimming meet at this city's open-air Tourelles Pool.

François Robert Christophe led off by setting a new European record in the men's 100-metre backstroke with a time of one minute 2.2 seconds.

Italy's Federico Deneppere then swam the men's 100-metre butterfly in one minute 1.8 seconds to break the European record in that event.—UPI.

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- Glenelg Junior School Open Day
- "Cotton Revue" at Peninsula Hotel
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- Chinese Medical Association Inauguration
- Minden Row School Prize-giving at YWCA
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- Chinese Radio Association Inauguration of New Officers
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GIVEN that the Annual
General Meeting of Shareholders
will be held at the Registered Office of the Company,
701/7 Edinburgh House,
Hong Kong, on Tuesday, 21st
July, 1959, at 12 Noon for the
following purposes:

- To receive and consider the Profit and Loss Account for the year ended 31st March, 1959, the Balance Sheet as at that date and the Reports of the Directors and the Auditors.
- To declare a dividend.
- To elect Directors.
- To appoint Auditors.
- To transact any other ordinary business of the Company.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 14th July to 21st July, 1959, inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
WHEELOCK MARDEN &
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Secretaries and General
Managers.

Hong Kong, 2nd July, 1959.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

TRAVANCORE

Damaged cargo ex this vessel will be surveyed by Messrs. Wood & Browne at Holt's Wharf from 10 a.m. on July 15, 1959 and consignees are requested to have their representatives present during the survey.

BUTTERFIELD & SWINEY,
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Hong Kong, July 13, 1959.

To ADVERTISERS

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Agents in any country to cater for our interests by negotiating

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PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

3-CAREERS MAN HOST
TO THE QUEEN

Frederika (Bobo) Sigrist, 19-year-old British heiress to an estimated £7 million, has now gone into hiding after hearing that a New York court had fined her and threatened her with gaol.

Bobo, shown here with a new escort in London, blond racing driver Tommy Sopwith, is the estranged wife of New York decorator Gregg Juarez, with whom she eloped in 1957. The fine and 30 days gaol if

THE LONELIEST MAN IN
THE HOUSE OF COMMONS

WILLIAM SHEPHERD MORRISON, a 65-year-old white-haired Scot, is the loneliest man in the House of Commons.



W. S. Morrison

He can never set foot in the smoking room. He can never have ten on the terrace. If he wishes to chat with fellow members he must invite them to dine at his home.

It has been that way for seven and a half years and it will remain so until the next General Election. Then "Shakes" Morrison casts off the cares of his £5,000-a-year post as the Speaker of the House of Com-

REMOTE
His position demands remoteness from other M.P.'s or, as spokesman and president of the Chamber, from all the times-making absolute impartiality. He neither speaks in debates nor votes in divisions, except when the voting is equal.

He cannot preside at any debate when finance is discussed. Yet even if the House sits all night he cannot go to bed. He must be on hand in case it is necessary to suspend a member for misconduct. He alone also has that power and right.

Of the members of the House, only the Prime Minister and the Lord President of the Council are above him in the precedence of the land. He comes above all the Peers, except the Archbishops of Canterbury and York.

Morrison, a lawyer by profession, has filled this position with great distinction and is in stature with each session. He has cultivated the art of relieving tension with a carefully-timed joke. He has also shown his power of firm control.

DRASTIC STEP

His severest test came during the Suez crisis when tempers ran high and debates developed into farce. Reasoning with members was useless and Morrison took the drastic step of suspending the House. Half an hour later M.P.s shuffled back in quiet, well-ordered fashion.

William Morrison is one of the few men to occupy the historic chair who have held ministerial rank. He entered the House in 1929 and held many, and various offices—Minister of Agriculture, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, Minister of Food, Postmaster-General (during Churchill's wartime Government) and then Minister of Town and Country Planning.

There was a time when the late Viscount Bolingbroke predicted that one day Mr. Morrison would be Prime Minister. Yet there was some missing quality that caused him to be known as the man of climax and anti-climax.

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HE is lean, dignified and icy. He is a playwright, an intellectual, a business tycoon and a diplomat. But above all, Charles Vincent Massey is a Canadian.

This month, the 72-year-old residence at the university's contest for the Durham West Governor-General to become Governor-General of his country when he was appointed in April, 1952, is performing the last great State occasion of his office as host to the Queen during her current six-week tour.

In September, after seven-and-a-half industrious and successful years, he is to retire.

Vincent Massey—he drops the "Charles" because he does not consider it dignified—is a peculiar mixture of fire and hauteur.

Aloof
On the one hand, he rocketed the fortunes of his family firm, now the Massey-Harris-Ferguson tractor combine, to unprecedented heights. On the other, his aloofness and his suspected intellectual and social snobbery has brought him respect but not popularity.

However, Massey is not the sort of man to let lack of popularity worry him. Plainly he prefers to rule in lofty remoteness, to move among academic circles, and to stay clear of the rough-and-tumble of the hustings.

Now the strain is beginning to tell and his doctors have advised him not to carry on beyond this Parliament. Morrison had decided not to seek re-election after representing the same constituency (Cirencester and Tewkesbury) for 30 consecutive years.

So Westminster will bid farewell to the deep-voiced, 6ft 3in tall Scot who had made such an impressive figure in his black knee breeches, flowing gown and full-bottomed wig.

STATECOACH
Morrison will leave his Gothic house which is connected by a corridor with the Commons. He will give up his State coach and the privilege of having an escort of one Life Guardsman.

At last he will be able to mix freely with his political friends and live in his own home, a small manor house in his constituency. He will have a £4,000-a-year pension.

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Victor Massey

SCARFACE
SKORZENY
TO SETTLE
IN EIRE

OTTO Skorzeny, former German S.S. officer who liberated Mussolini from Italian partisans in 1943, is moving to County Kildare in the Irish Republic at the end of the summer.

His wife, Frau Ise Skorzeny, has bought the 17th century Martinstown House there.

The sacrificed Skorzeny, 51, has lived for the past seven years in Madrid where he has an engineering business.

Last May, when he landed at

London Airport on his way from

Madrid to Dublin, he was interrogated for an hour by immigration officials and ordered not to break his journey in Britain.

SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING

A Machine To Duplicate Human Brain

A LOCKHEED scientist predicted that a machine could be built which could duplicate the human brain to the degree that it could display learning behaviour.

Dr David G. Willis of Lockheed Missiles and Space Division who has been working on the intriguing problem of creating artificial intelligence, has developed a mathematical model of the human neuron, or brain cell, which he said, might pave the way to the construction of a real thinking machine.

The Lockheed mathematician described his experiments in this field in a paper presented to the International Conference on Information Processing here sponsored by Unesco.

HIS THEORIES

Willis' theory of the neuron differs essentially with most theories in that he believes changes take place in the individual neuron—the building blocks of man's intelligence system—when they are excited which permanently affects their behaviour whenever subsequently stimulated.

"Since 1953," he said, "there has been conjecture among neuro-physiologists and others concerning the existence of changes within real neurons which have permanent effect on their logical behaviour."

These changes in behaviour called plastically explain how the responses of neurons are altered by their past history. By retaining a record of their activities throughout their whole life, the neurons function as memory elements.

Heretofore, however, he said, most investigations of neurons have been limited to concepts in which logical properties do not change with time.

MEMORY

"Unfortunately," Willis said, "neurons of this type shed very little light on what appears to be one of the most striking and significant problems in understanding the working of the human brain—the mechanism of memory."

Of the many remarkable properties of human memory, Willis continued, there are two characteristics which are particularly noteworthy. One is simply its tremendous storage capacity, dwarfing that of the largest and most advanced computer.

The other outstanding feature of human memory is its "random access" character—the ability to recall in very short substantial portion of the millions of bits of information stored in our brains almost as fast as our attention is directed toward a subject.

Willis described an experiment he performed with a system of 280 neurons simulated on a digital computer at Lockheed's Scientific Research Laboratory in Palo Alto, Calif. In the experiment Willis said that the neurons are arranged 16 wide by 18 high. The stimulus or excitation provided is the same for all neurons.

"To demonstrate the memory properties of the system," he said, "we excite or inhibit each neuron in the matrix. One mode of excitation forces the neurons to respond in some particular pattern."

The results as described by Willis show that when a pattern is forced with some particular excitation it tends to repeat itself when the same stimulus is repeated.

EXCITATIONS

"But," Willis added, "as we force more and more patterns with other excitations they begin to interfere. The interesting thing about this phenomenon is not how many independent patterns can be read in and out again, but is in the way these patterns interfere with one another."

This, he stated, is not unlike the way in which memories may be associated in the human brain.

He said the systems shows on a small scale many characteristics which are compatible with those of the human brain.

"Entirely aside from our light that they shed on human memory characteristics," Willis concluded, "features of this kind appear to be sufficiently powerful and flexible that we may eventually be able to use physical realizations of them to build economically machines which can solve pattern recognition and learning problems."

Controlled Explosions For Shape Forming

THE development of controlled explosions to form metal parts rapidly and accurately into the required shape is now becoming a more practical industrial technique.

The operation of the process depends basically on the use of explosives to take the place of presses.

Most explosion forming is carried out under water, although this is not an essential factor.

One of the most recently developed explosives for this purpose, which is now being developed for commercial use, is an ammonium nitrate-fuel oil compound. Tests have shown that it will operate better under water than out of water.

On the other hand, its dry performance is said to be exceptionally good.

£250,000 Plant For Man-made Timber

A NEW, £250,000 plant for producing man-made timber was opened recently at Weybridge, Surrey. The new factory will make woodchip board, which is produced from processed industrial wood waste—wood shavings and chips or forest thinnings—bound together with a synthetic resin under heat and pressure.

The finished product is used in the building, furniture and other wood-consuming industries. The new plant has one press capable of curing ten boards at a time. It is completely automatic and specially constructed for chipboard manufacture.

The manufacturers say that chipboard's advantage over natural timber—including practically negligible shrinkage and swelling, freedom from knots and other defects, improved resistance to flame spread, and higher resistance to vermin and fungal growth.

(Atcrew Company and Jelwood Ltd, Weybridge, Surrey).

New Teleprinter

A NEW teleprinter which made its debut at the British Trade Fair in Lisbon was claimed to be a major step forward in design, being smaller, lighter and simpler than any comparable machine in commercial production anywhere in the world. It is capable of sustained operation at 100 words a minute—a 50 per cent advance over the present international standard. It will also function at 60 words a minute (standard U.S.A. speed) and at 60 words per minute (standard European and International standard). As it is unaffected by vibration and tilting it will operate in ships or aircraft. (Creed)

Radar Order For Middle East

Britain has secured a further order for airborne search radar in the Middle East.

Eico Electronics Limited is to supply Eico Type 1610 search radar with Doppler drift measuring equipment for the Viscount fleet of Kuwait Airways.

This follows recent orders for similar equipment from the Lebanon and Iraq.

Cleaning By Sound

CLEANING by sound waves was demonstrated at the British Trade Fair in Lisbon by means of converting electricity into mechanical energy to agitate the bottom of tank at the rate of 40,000 vibrations a second. This literally shakes the dirt free from the material inside. (Davo Instruments)

Weekly Survey Of The American Economy SUMMER PACE SLACKENS

Following Seasonal Pattern Although Steel Strike Looms

New York, July 12.

Despite the new imminence of a steel strike the U.S. economy followed the seasonal pattern of a summer slackening

It also followed the pattern by indulging in a growing debate on the pros and cons of inflation, the ever-present companion of every U. S. boom.

After two weeks of grace, brought by a personal appeal by President Eisenhower demanding that the steel dispute negotiations go on, the nation again stood before a strike. Labour insisted two weeks ago it was ever willing to agree to and served notice the union will strike next Tuesday midnight if no new contract has been agreed upon by then.

New Appeal

The President renewed his appeal this time for an indefinite extension of talks, but the union countered it was sure Eisenhower did not intend that labour and steel management negotiate "forever."

Strangely enough, some opinion still persisted that a steel strike will be averted. Iron Age magazine placed the odds at seven to four that a "non-inflationary" settlement of the dispute was still a probability.

Piqued by premature wildcat walkout and the Independence Day holiday as well as by the usual summer doldrums, the steel industry last week was only able to produce at the lowest level since January 1952. With mills operating at 79.2 per cent of capacity output last week fell to 2,216,000 tons, 271,000 tons below the preceding week when the operating rate was 87.8 per cent of capacity.

For the current week steel output was scheduled at 83.2 per cent of capacity, or 2,357,000 tons, but doubts were expressed whether the goal will be met.

Mills Lagging

Mills had been lagging behind delivery dates for the past month or so. The two-week extension beyond the original July 1 strike deadline meant that at best they would come through with most of the orders on the books for June shipment and perhaps some, but little, of the tonnage promised for early July.

There was an accompanying drop in Detroit auto output but this was not linked to the steel performance. The first close out of 1959 model operations and holiday schedules cut new car output 16 per cent last week. An estimated 1,07,110 units were scheduled to be turned out, compared with 1,27,217 in the previous week. A similar drop was registered in truck output.

The Imperial Division of Chrysler closed out its 1959 model production and the plant was expected to be down till sometime in August. 1959 DeSoto and Chrysler output was expected to go down in mid-July and Plymouth and Dodge by the end of this month. In rapid-fire order all other car manufacturers were expected to drop out of the 1959 model assembly lines.

However, the change-over period this year was generally expected to be short and Ward's Automotive reports September, 1959, will bring back employment and various new models, notably paring down operations on the lines front. By September 15, or shortly thereafter, all U. S. auto makers should be in production on 1960 models, including for the first time the Big Three's new small car.

Small Cars

It was this small car that might considerably yet upset optimistic estimates based on results of the first half of the year that 1959 would be the auto industry's third best year in its history.

In the first six months estimated sales of U. S. made new cars ran above 4,000,000 units. This, the industry thought, would make it a safe bet that somewhere around 6,250,000 cars will be sold this year. The banner year was 1955 with 7,400,000 new cars sold. The second best was 1950 with 6,800,000.

Nobody knows yet what the reaction will be when Ford, Chevrolet and Plymouth come out with their new small car in the autumn. A lot in the

sales expectations depended on how these models will be accepted. And even more dependent on whether there would be a steel strike this year or a strike against the major rubber and tyre manufacturers.

There is a strange footnote to the story of Detroit's successful comeback after the recession. Despite the boom in the industry, the Michigan state employment security commission reports Detroit still has 9.8 per cent of its labour force unemployed largely because of automation and other labour-saving measures adopted by industry.—UPI.

U.S. Balance Of Payments Is In A Mess

By SYDNEY GAMPELL

London, July 12.

THE U.S. balance of payments is in a mess. In the first quarter of this year the deficit of \$27 million (a rate of \$3,760 million a year) was actually higher than in any of the first three quarters of last year when the gold was pouring out.

It was padded by abnormal payments for oil to forestall the import quotas, but that item was outweighed by Germany's windfall prepayment of \$150 million on her postwar debt.

Imagination boggles at what the U.S. deficit would have been without that windfall, without the still larger one of Germany's prepayment of the best part of \$400 million for defence imports, without some debt payments from France too, and without the reflux of short-term money which brought the next outflow of U.S. private capital to the lowest level since 1955.

In his contention (with which the New York Fed does not

wholly agree) that "this is not the balance of payments of a country that is unable to compete in supplying commercial goods and services in world trade."

Mr E. M. Bernstein relies on such data as that U.S. imports of goods last year were a smaller proportion of the gross national product (less than three per cent of it) than in all but one of the past eight years.

While the Americans have (grudgingly) been increasing their purchases of imported goods, they have been increasing their purchases of American goods and services still faster.

Plainly, this is not an all-four comparison. Including services all through the past two years, U.S. exports have failed to five per cent of the national product (from seven), while imports have risen to that same five per cent (from four). Who cares?—China Mail Special.

HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE

by Our Own Correspondent

Business done on the Hongkong Stock Exchange this morning amounted to approximately \$102,000. Noon quotations and the morning's transaction:

BANKS	BUYERS	SELLERS	RATES
Bank of China	103 957/8	104 053	104 053

INSURANCES	BUYERS	SELLERS	RATES
Amalgamated	781/8	80	80

MANUFACTURING	BUYERS	SELLERS	RATES
Lambard	35/4	36	36

WATERBOTS	BUYERS	SELLERS	RATES
Waterbott	23 1/2	102 00	102 00

WHEELOCK	BUYERS	SELLERS	RATES
Wheelock	6 1/4	102 00	102 00

DOCKS, ETC.	BUYERS	SELLERS	RATES
K. Wharf	100	100	100

Dock	BUYERS	SELLERS	RATES
Dock	43 1/2	44	44

Provident	BUYERS	SELLERS	RATES
Provident	121 1/2	122 00	122 00

Tatlow	BUYERS	SELLERS	RATES
Tatlow	31 1/2	31 1/2	31 1/2

LAND, ETC.	BUYERS	SELLERS	RATES
H.K. Hotel	100	100	100

LAND, ETC.	BUYERS	SELLERS	RATES
Land	36 1/2	100 00	100 00

LAND, ETC.	BUYERS	SELLERS	RATES
Land	145 00	145 00	145 00

LAND, ETC.	BUYERS	SELLERS	RATES
Land	100 00	100 00	100 00

LAND, ETC.	BUYERS	SELLERS	RATES
Land	100 00	100 00	100 00

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Police Beat Me, Man Alleges In Shooting Case

A defendant in the Louey case alleged in the Criminal sessions this morning that he had been bashed by police and forced to write a statement in a policeman's notebook.

The defendant, the second accused, Lee Tak-sum, 48, said a Detective Sergeant beat him and then held his hand while he wrote in the notebook.

The Sergeant said in evidence that he arrested the second accused on January 15 and he made a statement under caution.

Mr D. N. E. Rea, Crown prosecutor: "Look at the character Cheuk, Lok and Yu. Were you holding the wrist of the accused and guiding him when he wrote?"

His Names

The Detective: "No. When I went to 13 Hungtung Street and arrested the accused last night told me his name was Chan Shui. Later under questioning he admitted his name was Lee Tak-sum and he said he knew Lee Cheuk, Lee Yu and Lee Lok."

The Sergeant read from his notebook the statement made by the second accused from Mr Justice R.H. Mills-Owen ruled that it was admissible.

In the statement the second accused identified others in the attempted robbery at Mr William S. T. Louey's residence, at 81 Waterloo Road, on December 22, 1958.

Ran Away

He said he ran away from the scene when he heard shots fired.

A physician attached to Kowloon Hospital, Dr Chen, gave evidence that on January 16, he examined the second accused who had been brought to the hospital by Det. Inspector T.E. Monnington.

He found his condition to be generally good but there were some old bruises, two or three days old, on the right upper half of his chest.

He said the defendant complained of some tenderness

NEW SCHEME FOR COLONY BEGGARS STARTS WELL

By A CHINA MAIL
REPORTER

A new scheme to help Hong Kong beggars had got off to a promising start, the secretary of the Hongkong Council of Social Service, Miss M. Newcombe said today.

Under the scheme interested members of the public may obtain cards from the Council printed in Chinese and English stamping them if the beggar goes to the address of the welfare institution on the card he will have his needs investigated to see whether help can be given.

The cards are printed in two colours, pink for Hongkong and blue for Kowloon.

Miss Newcombe announced that in addition to the Salvation Army and the Family Welfare Society, the Lutheran World Service were interested and willing to help in the new scheme.

"The experiment seems to be working and there has been quite a bit of interest," she said.

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"For example, one man who was found begging last week was given a card. He turned out to be a fisherman whose engine had broken down and who was begging to get enough for his family to live on.

"His case was investigated and money was provided for the repair of his engine, and he is now off the streets and back fishing again," said Miss Newcombe.

Anyone interested in taking part in this scheme should apply to Miss Newcombe, care of the Hongkong Council of Social Service, 47 David House, fourth floor.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Which One?

Sir.—My friend and I have been arguing about which was the 1958 best picture awarded with an Oscar.

I suggested that Gigl was the best. In my friend's opinion, The Old Man and the Sea was. Neither of us trust the proof of each other. So I hereby sincerely appeal to you! Your information which we trust alone.

I should be grateful if you could inform me which was the best picture.

ELIZABETH HO.
[Watch this space tomorrow. Perhaps Mr. N. T. Chow will give his view, too.—Ed.]

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PICTORIAL PARADE

A Registry wedding with a difference this morning: in addition to rice, the bridal couple, walked out under a step ladder and signal flags. Both were officers—Lt. I.F. Berd (right) and Lt G. Smith (left). Their "guard of honour" were men from the Royal Signals.—China Mail Photo.



LEFT: Enjoying herself — just look at that gay smile—at the ninth International Film Festival in Berlin: Starlet Barbara Valentine, 18, who was born in Vienna. Her U.S. manager and a U.S. glamour photographer accompanied her to make sure she got in the publicity spotlight. Seems they succeeded! — Express Photo.



RIGHT: Mr Robin Douglas-Hamilton, nephew of Lord Home, was married at St James's Church, Piccadilly, to 18-year-old model Sandra Paul. Picture shows the bride and groom after the ceremony. — Central Press Photo.

Wanchai Building Has 14-Inch Lean

Mr George Thompson, assistant chief building surveyor, told Mr I. T. Morris at Central Magistracy this morning that the wall of a residential building in Johnston Road where 149 people lived was leaning out 14 inches from the vertical.

Mr Thompson was giving evidence in the applications for closure orders of 210 and 212 Johnston Road, in respect of the verandahs of the first, second and third floors of the buildings.

Dilapidated

He said he went to inspect the buildings on June 25 and found them in a dilapidated condition.

"The brick wall facing Burrow Street is 14 inches out of the vertical and leaning towards the street," he said, "and it is fractured throughout its height and is tilting at the ground floor storey."

"This wall carries half the weight of all the floors and roof of the building, and if it collapses, the whole building would collapse," he continued.

Mr Thompson said that when he visited the building before the shores were erected, he experienced vibrations of the floors every time a tram car passed.

He said that in October, 1958, the balconies extending over Burrow Street had collapsed but fortunately no one was injured.

Giving evidence on 210 Johnston Road, he said that the verandah floors were decayed and in a dilapidated condition.

"The end wall of the verandahs extending the whole height is not bounded to the

main structure and is in fact pulling away from it," he said.

"The slippage originally given to the verandahs by the main structure is thus no longer operative."

Mr Morris, after hearing the evidence, granted the applications for the closure of the two buildings.

Hearing Of

Driving

Charge Adjourned

Hearing of the case against J. Babbs summoned for alleged dangerous driving was adjourned to July 23, at 10 a.m., on an application by the Police before Mr C. Q. Lim at Central Magistracy this morning.

Inspect. M. R. Atkinson said he had instructions from the Superintendent of Traffic to ask for an adjournment as two of the police witnesses were required to testify at a District Court hearing both today and tomorrow.

Babbs pleaded not guilty to the summons of driving a car dangerously at the junction of Wongnienong Road and Leighton Road at 2.40 a.m. on May 2.

He was represented by Mr A. S. C. Comber of Hastings and Co.

Rain & Flood Victims Get Relief

About 8,800 Sharshupo residents who were victims of the recent rain and flood were given relief at the Sharshupo Kalpong Welfare Association this morning.

Each of them was given nine lbs of rice, a gift from an American relief organization, CARE; fifty cents per head from residents of the district; a dollar per head and \$30 for each member of the family who died from the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce; a portion of bread donated by the Nam Hou Tong and a portion of noodles, weighing 10 ounces for families of six, a gift from Jockeye.

On July 10 the flood victims will be given quantities of rice donated by the Chinese Government.

Strike Ends

The three-day sit-down strike at the factory of the Nan Fung Textiles Ltd., Tsim Wan, was reported over this morning, with the management agreeing in principle to the workers' demand to change the present two 12-hour-a-day shifts to three 8-hour shifts.

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Admitted Knocking Child Down

A man charged with dangerous driving causing the death of a small boy had admitted knocking the child down on a pedestrian crossing, Victoria District Court was told today.

Fok Kan, 53, of 200 Wanchai Road, second floor, pleaded not guilty.

Corporal Koo Chan-chow told Fok he had just knocked someone down.

The boy was Chan See-him, aged 8. The accident was in Queen's Road East on March 5.

Models To Be Auctioned

Model gowns from the recent YWCA Flight of Fashion Show will be auctioned on Wednesday, July 16, in St John Ambulance headquarters at 3 p.m.

In addition to the 20 creations being sold, a new supply of fashion styles will be modelled. Tea will be included in the admission price of \$2.